

Chronic Pain Sufferers You Now Have an Organisation That Works for You!

CPAA commenced 1 Jan 2007 by people living with chronic pain FOR people with chronic pain. Chronic Pain Association of Australia is a peak body to represent people with chronic non-cancer pain, providing advocacy, programs for self management and lifestyle enhancement, references library of resources (online). Visit it's website at <http://chronicpainassociation.org.au>

February 4, 2007 (FPRC) -- 20% of all Australians live with chronic pain. Chronic pain affects more people in Australia than diabetes, hypertension or asthma. Significantly, as our population ages, pain affects many Australians whose plans to enjoy their leisure in retirement are marred by pain and disability. Many older Australians just accept that "this is the way it is", and suffer in silence.

CPAA commenced operations in January 2007 by people living with pain, with the objective of making available to all Australians living with chronic non-cancer pain the self management resources to restore human rights, programs to improve functional lifestyle ability, referrals to understanding and suitable medical help, provide guidance and to improve quality of life and wellbeing regardless of socio-economic or compensation status.

The newly formed Chronic Pain Association of Australia as its first duty to sufferers has called its inaugural workshop meeting of persons with chronic non-cancer pain to participate in helping CPAA be a truly 'consumer driven' organisation that WORKS FOR THEM. For too long too little has been done by governments, the health system or the community to ease the plight of chronic pain sufferers.

CPAA also has organized an outstanding line up of top-drawer health professionals to present papers and workshops at a 2-day Seminar at a retreat on the Central Coast for March. Professionals at the front line of chronic pain services will find valuable new information from this seminar.

CPAA EVENTS:

12 February 2007 - 7:00 - 9:00 pm "Action for Chronic Pain" Inaugural Consumers Meeting at Asquith Bowling Club, 1 Lodge Street, Hornsby NSW.

9 -11th March 2007 - "Reducing the Cost of Chronic Pain" a CPAA Seminar for Allied Health Professionals 9-11th March 2007, Kincumber NSW.

To gain more information about Chronic Pain Association and details of the events listed above please go to our website at <http://chronicpainassociation.org.au>

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